

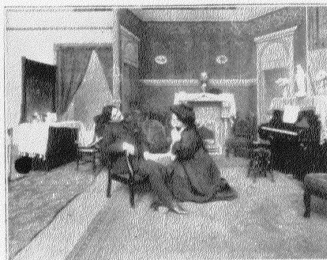
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(Will release February 13th 1908.)

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Length (about) 780 ft.



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A Leap Year Proposal

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According to the old saying it is better to be born lucky than rich, but the subject of this picture is a series of comical mishaps which occur to a too eager sportsman, and illustrate the fact that it is just as possible to be born unlucky.

The opening scene is an ordinary business office, the proprietor is working at his desk when to him enters Mr. Sportsman who explains that a first class "scrap" in other words a prize fight is to be pulled off this evening. Our friend is eager to make one at the fight, but how to avoid going home and what excuse to make to his loving wife is the most difficult question; however his friend solves the difficulty and together they concoct a telegram summoning Mr. Businessman to an "important Directors meeting." He then goes home and while enjoying the wife's society the fake telegram arrives and he very reluctantly bids her a fond farewell.

Joining his friend they are next seen on the train on their way to the fight and finally reach the place where all preparations have been made for a first class "mill." The friends take their seats and now occur two rounds of as clever boxing as has ever been shown on a moving picture film. Marvellous foot work, terrific punches, and hammer and tongs, fighting varied with the most adroit feinting and dodging. In the first round the smaller man has the advantage and finally floors his antagonist who barely escapes taking the count but is saved by the fall and comes from his corner for the second round apparently as fresh as ever. In the second round matters are reversed and it is the "heavy" who after a round of clever boxing lands on his opponent for an undoubted knockout. Our sporting friend is

much excited and declaring that all has not been on the square, peels off his outer garments and jumping into the ring assaults the Victor, and in another minute another fight is on in which the fighting man himself is knocked out. But just here the alarm is given "Police," the lights are turned out and every one that can makes their getaway.

We follow the fortunes of our sporting friend who is seen escaping over the roofs, closely followed by the Police. A convenient chimney offers a refuge, down he goes and emerges safely at the other end and in the room of a lady of uncertain age who in her fright jumps out of the window to escape the apparition. But she has only gone for help and the hunted man again takes to the chimney up this time and down another which lands him in a bed room.

The ladies of the house which harbors so strange a visitor are seated when a telegram is brought in from papa announcing that an unknown "Cousin Jack" will be with them tonight and is provided with latch key. The morning arrives and the supposed "Cousin Jack" is called and invited down to breakfast. He makes the best toilet possible under the circumstances and on going down stairs is received by all and especially by his pretty cousin with much cordiality.

Afterwards "Jack" and the pretty cousin go out for a walk but have hardly left the house when a second telegram is received which shows that their guest is no cousin at all. Mamma rushes out to overtake the imposter and reaches him just as his own wife who is also on the war path hunting for hubby meets him from the other direction. The picture ends in a general "melee," every one attacking the luckless victim of so many mistakes.

The entire film is the acme of comedy and is reproduced with absolutely perfect photographic realism and steadiness. Length 780 feet.

A Leap Year Proposal.

This film is a clever satirical comedy on Leap Year Proposals by the fair sex and the reversal of ordinary methods consequent upon such a practice; it is for laughing purposes only, but in that respect well fulfills its mission and is the funniest piece of animated photography seen for many a day.

Girl makes an evening call, proposes to her young man and is accepted.

Two years later shows the married couple, hubby getting breakfast while the wife prepares to go out to her daily toil. She puts in a hard day and returns late at night in a somewhat hilarious condition. Is properly taken to task by hubby and promises never to do so again. The whole film abounds in comic situations and is one large long laugh from beginning to end. Length 775 feet.

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